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Virginia Board of Health Meeting
Newport News, Virginia
October 24, 2002

Board Members Present: Charles W. Hickey, Jean M. Donovan, Richardson Grinnan, Lack O. Lanier, Sheila W. Elliott, Hunter M. Gaunt, Jr., Katherine Elliott, Douglas L. Johnson, Barry I. Griffin, Shirley Kelly.

Board Members Absent: Robert L. Perry, Julie L. Beales, Cora L. Gray.

I. Call to Order

Dr. Charles W. Hickey, Chairman of the State Board of Health, convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Re-appointed Board members were introduced to the new Board members.

II. Retirement Gift

The Board was updated on the status of the gift that they funded personally for Paul Matthias, who formerly staffed the Board of Health meetings.

III. Community Health Centers

Neil Graham, Executive Director of the Virginia Primary Care Association, gave a presentation on Community Health Centers and President Bush's initiative to increase the number of new Community Health Centers.

IV. Eastern Virginia Health Systems Agency

Paul Boynton, Executive Director of the Eastern Virginia Health Systems Agency, gave a presentation on the planning district he represents and the responsibilities of the Health Systems Agencies.

V. Cancer Registry

Joe Hilbert, Executive Advisor to the Commissioner, apprised the Board of legislative options that could be taken in regard to the Cancer Registry.

VI. Follow Up on "Our Health"

Dr. Gaunt discussed the "Our Health" initiative in Winchester and Frederick and Clark Counties.

VII. Luncheon Speaker – The Honorable Jane Woods, Secretary of Health and Human Resources

Secretary Woods spoke about Governor Warner's health care priorities and initiatives.

VIII. Lead Poisoning Update

Clayton Pape, with the VDH Office of Family Health Services, gave an update on lead poisoning and statistics on counties and cities in the Commonwealth.

IX. Certificate of Public Need (COPN) and Non-Institutional Providers

Dr. Kinloch Nelson gave a presentation on provider perspectives about COPN regulation.

X. Virginia Data Consortium Integration Project

Dr. William Knaus, Director of the University of Virginia Health System's Department of Health Evaluation Sciences, discussed the Virginia Data Consortium Integration Project in relation to the mapping of the human genome.

XI. Adjournment

Dr. Hickey adjourned the meeting at 3:45.